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AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following amendment and remarks, and Request for Continued Examination, are submitted in response to the Office Action dated December 2, 2004.

Amendments to the claims appear in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper. This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.